



# Trustee Annual Report for the Financial Year 2022/2023

## Introduction

The Trustees of the Alliance for International Development (A-fID) are pleased to present the annual report for the financial year ending 31st March 2023. This report highlights our activities, achievements, and the challenges we faced during the year. Despite the constraints imposed by the election year in Sierra Leone, we continued our mission to support the most vulnerable communities through education, healthcare, and community development programs.

## Overview of Activities

### High Demand for Charity Services

The demand for A-fID's services in Sierra Leone remained high throughout the financial year 2022/2023. The socio-economic challenges exacerbated by political activities created an urgent need for our interventions in education, healthcare, and community infrastructure.

### Impact of the Election Year

The 2022/2023 financial year was marked by significant political campaigning in Sierra Leone due to the national elections. This period of political activity limited some of our operations and required us to navigate carefully to ensure the safety and effectiveness of our programs.

## Key Achievements

### Back to School Activities

Our annual back-to-school initiative successfully provided scholarships, uniforms, and school materials to 50 pupils in primary and junior secondary schools. This support was crucial in ensuring that these children continued their education despite the economic difficulties faced by their families.

### Conditional Cash Transfers and Free Weekend Tutorials



In addition to educational materials, we provided conditional cash transfers to single parents of children who qualified for our annual back-to-school program and free weekend tutorials. These parents received Le600 to Le1,000 as micro loans, on the condition that their children attend weekend lessons and spend four hours a day doing homework and staying at home. Additionally, the children were required not to engage in street trading. The loans were provided with a six-month repayment plan and no interest.

### **Medical Support**

A-fID extended financial support to 15 individuals on medical grounds. This assistance covered various medical expenses, enabling recipients to access essential healthcare services that would otherwise be unaffordable.

### **Community WASH Programs**

We supported Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) programs across three communities in rural Sierra Leone. These programs focused on improving access to clean water, promoting hygiene practices, and reducing waterborne diseases, thereby enhancing the overall health and well-being of the communities.

### **Water Well Completion in Haja Fatmata – Freetown Urban**

One of our significant accomplishments was the completion of a water well in the Haja Fatmata community in urban Freetown. This well now provides clean and safe drinking water to approximately 1,500 people. The project was made possible by the generous donation of land by the local chief and funding from A-fID for the construction costs.

### **Community Barry Rebuilding**

We also undertook the project to rebuild the community Barry for the local chief in Haja Fatmata. This facility serves as a vital meeting and gathering place for the community, enhancing social cohesion and community engagement.

## **Financial Overview**

### **Increased Overhead Costs**

During the financial year, our overhead costs increased due to a rise in rent and the national minimum wage for staff. Despite these challenges, we managed our finances prudently to ensure that our programs continued to receive the necessary funding.



# Conclusion

The financial year 2022/2023 was marked by significant achievements amidst challenges posed by the election year in Sierra Leone. The high demand for our services highlighted the critical role A-fID plays in supporting vulnerable communities. We remain committed to our mission and look forward to continuing our work in the coming year, with a focus on expanding our impact and reaching more individuals in need.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our donors, partners, and volunteers for their unwavering support. Together, we are making a difference in the lives of many.

**Approved by the Board of Trustees**

**Date: 27th July 2024**

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**Income and Expenditure Statement**

Income

Description	Amount (£)
Donations	£12,009
Other Charity Activities	£28,021
Total Income	£40,030

Expenditure

Description	Amount (£)
Grants for Medical Support	£6,895
Community WASH Programs	£8,760
Water Well Project	£9,370
Community Barry Project	£1,250
Salaries in Freetown	£4,800
Rent and Other Overhead	£7,800
Fees	£600
Total Expenditure	£39,475

Net Income

Description	Amount (£)
Net Income	£555

**Notes to the Accounts**



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1. Donations: The charity received a total of £12,009 in donations during the financial year.
2. Other Charity Activities: The charity earned £28,021 from other charity-related activities, including various fundraising events and partnerships.
3. Grants for Medical Support: £6,895 was allocated to provide financial assistance to 15 individuals for medical purposes.
4. Community WASH Programs: £8,760 was spent on supporting Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene programs in three rural communities.
5. Water Well Project: £9,370 was spent on completing a water well in the Haja Fatmata community in urban Freetown, providing clean and safe drinking water to approximately 1,500 people.
6. Community Barry Project: £1,250 was used to rebuild the community Barry for the local chief in Haja Fatmata, enhancing social cohesion and community engagement.
7. Salaries in Freetown: £4,800 was paid as salaries to staff based in Freetown, ensuring the effective management and operation of our projects.
8. Rent and Other Overhead: The charity incurred £7,800 in rent and other overhead costs in Sierra Leone, partly due to an increase in rent and the national minimum wage for staff.
9. Fees: Administrative fees amounted to £600 for various services required for the charity's operations.

## **Conclusion**

The financial year 2022/2023 was marked by significant demand for A-fID's services and substantial achievements in our program delivery. Despite increased overhead costs, the charity successfully managed its finances, resulting in a net income of £555. This positive outcome underscores the charity's financial health and its capability to sustain and expand its impactful work in the coming

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year.

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## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Alliance for International Development (A-fID)

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 March 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

1161111

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2023**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Institute of Accounts of Sierra Leone.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 22/06/2024

Name:

Idrisa Sesay

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

Accountant



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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A